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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 2672

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
HIDEAKI OHSHIMA et al.)	Examiner: J. Brier
Application No.: 09/176,274)	Group Art Unit: 2672
Filed: October 21, 1998)	
For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004, the term for responding to which having been extended to October 7, 2004 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: